

Appendix A Chairperson's report Potter Heigham Annual Parish Meeting April 2024

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WEDNESDAY 24th APRIL 2024



Governance & Finance

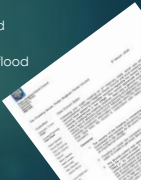
- ▶ Uncontested election held May 2023
- ▶ Brendan Shankshaft resigned and James Stone and Helen Bartlett co-opted onto the council
- ▶ Councillor induction training and refresher training being arranged
- ▶ New grant policy adopted
- ▶ Financial year 2023-2024 concluded under budget
- ▶ 2024-2025 precept set at £17,684 - 8% increase
- ▶ New parish clerk, Laura Bateman, is in post



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Flooding

- ▶ Letter sent to Duncan Baker MP and flood management authorities regarding the exceptional flooding and devastating impact this winter
- ▶ Representatives of the council attended public flood meeting held by Duncan Baker MP
- ▶ The council continue to press for solutions for better flood management



Planning

- ▶ The council continue to discuss and agree comments on planning applications
- ▶ The Old Bridge Hotel - The council continue to make representations against a planning application for the development this site
- ▶ Glebe Farm - the council continue to make representations against the commercial development of this site and continue to press for enforcement action



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Traffic

- ▶ Speeding and inconsiderate parking continue to be a problem
- ▶ Sam 2 continues to monitor issues and the council are trialing different locations
- ▶ Funding received via The Parish Partnership Scheme from Norfolk County Council for a feasibility study on assessing traffic issues within the village
- ▶ The council work closely with TAG to address traffic concerns



Accomplishments

- ▶ Funding received via The Parish Partnership Scheme from Norfolk County Council for a feasibility study on assessing traffic issues
- ▶ Funding received from the Norfolk Community Foundation for the community hotpot Soup & Chatter events. Approximately 30 people attend each week and will continue monthly in the summer. Funds have also supported Afternoon Teas
- ▶ The Peter Sandell Award went to two deserving nominations: The Upton Family and Mr & Mrs Everitt!
- ▶ A local resident is now using the playing field for Archery



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We continue...

- ▶ To press for long term flood management solutions
- ▶ To make representations about planning applications
- ▶ To monitor speeding and traffic issues
- ▶ To report village maintenance issues with the appropriate authorities
- ▶ Listen and support the local community as best as possible

Reports from Parish Council Leads

- ▶ Allotments
- ▶ Sam 2
- ▶ Staithe
- ▶ Financial Report



Donald Pickering
David Bland
Harry May
Laura Bateman,
Clerk



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Guest Speakers

- ▶ Tom Hunter (Area Manager) - **Water Management Alliance**

- ▶ David Kemp (Incidents and Recovery Manager) & Peter Doktor (Project Manager) – **The Environment Agency**


Local Authority & Police Reports

- ▶ Norfolk County Council – Cllr Richard Price

- ▶ North Norfolk District Council – Cllr Harry Blathwayt

- ▶ Norfolk Police – PC Matt Pritly

- ▶ The Broad's Authority – Maxine Willoughby


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Village Groups & Other Reports

- ▶ Village Hall – Robin Graves-Morris
- ▶ Soup & Chatter – Sheridan Turner & Mary Haslam
- ▶ Tai Chi & Cadets – Rachel Brown
- ▶ The Parochial Church – Donald Pickering
- ▶ Brownies/Guides – Stephanie Self



Village Groups & Other Reports cont...

- ▶ Table Tennis – Andrew Tantrum
- ▶ Stitchers – Susan Harris
- ▶ The Art Show – Mary Haslam
- ▶ Mardlers – Hazel Eady
- ▶ Manners 4 Paws
- ▶ Afternoon Teas



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